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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, Applicant brings the following documents to the Examiner's attention in the above-referenced application. Forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b listing these documents are submitted herewith. Copies of the references are being provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2).

Cited References with Explanation of Relevance:

Applicants bring the following references to the Examiner's attention. The relevance of the cited references is that they are the closest art of which Applicant is aware.

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2. U.S. Patent No. 4,215,401, issued July 29, 1980 to Holsztynski et al.;
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,591,980, issued May 17, 1986 to Huberman et al.;
4. U.S. Patent No. 4,593,351, issued June 3, 1986 to Hong et al.;
5. U.S. Patent No. 4,665,494, issued May 12, 1987 to Tanaka et al.;
6. U.S. Patent No. 4,672,331, issued June 9, 1987 to Cushing;
7. U.S. Patent No. 4,739,474, issued April 19, 1988 to Holsztynski;
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17. U.S. Patent No. 5,434,989, issued July 18, 1995 to Yamaguchi;
18. U.S. Patent No. 5,475,856, dated December 12, 1995 to Kogge;
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20. U.S. Patent No. 5,581,767, issued December 3, 1996 to Katsuki et al.;
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56. U.S. Patent No. 7,249,357, issued July 24, 2007 to Landman et al.;
57. U.S. Patent No. 7,380,100, issued May 27, 2008 to Shimura et al.;
58. U.S. Patent No. 7,528,756, issued May 5, 2009 to Moore et al.;
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61. U.S. Publication No. 2002/0186159, dated December 12, 2002 to Reinhold et al.;
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98. EP Patent Doc. EP0724221A2, dated July 31, 1996 to International Business Machines Corp.;
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101. JP Patent Doc. JP60-183645, dated September 19, 1985 to Xerox Corp., (English abstract included; Counterpart of U.S. Patent No. 4,591,980);
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Cited Patent Applications with Explanation of Relevance:

Applicant also brings the following patent applications and related documents to the Examiner's attention because these patent applications may contain some common subject matter as the above-referenced patent application.

1. PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/005140, filed February 18, 2005, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2005/091847A2 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated June 17, 2008 (cite no. EL); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated March 5, 2009 (cite no. EM).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 10/801,942. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

2. CN Application No. 200580008575.7, filed September 18, 2006, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated March 15, 2010 (English translation; cite no. EN).;

This application is a Chinese National Phase Application of PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/005140. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this Chinese application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

3. EP Application No. 05723250.6, filed October 11, 2006, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. European Search Report dated July 31, 2009 (cite no. EO); and
- ii. Office Action dated March 19, 2010 (cite no. EP).

This application is a European National Phase Application of PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/005140. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

4. JP Application No. 2007-503910, filed September 14, 2006, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated September 2, 2009 (English translation; cite no. EQ).

This application is a Japanese National Phase Application of PCT Application No. PCT/US2005/005140. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this Japanese application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

5. U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 11/810,183, filed June 5, 2007, by Moore:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0245121-A1 (not cited);
- ii. Office Action dated June 23, 2008 (cite no. ER);
- iii. Office Action dated March 31, 2009 (cite no. ES); and
- iv. Notice of Allowance dated July 27, 2010 (cite no. ET);

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/801,942. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this U.S. Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

6. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/355,495, filed February 16, 2006, by Moore:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0192504-A1 (cite no. DW);
- ii. Office Action dated October 3, 2007 (cite no. EU);
- iii. Office Action dated June 10, 2008 (cite no. EV);
- iv. Interview Summary dated November 18, 2008 (cite no. EW);
- v. Office Action dated February 2, 2009 (cite no. EX);
- vi. Office Action dated September 24, 2009 (cite no. EY);
- vii. Office Action dated April 20, 2010 (cite no. EZ); and
- viii. Interview Summary dated September 29, 2010 (cite no. FA).

7. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004031, filed February 16, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2007/098007 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated July 7, 2008 (cite no. FB); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated August 28, 2008 (cite no. FC).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/355,495 and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

8. EP Application No. 07250648.8, filed February 15, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. European Search Report dated May 21, 2007 (cite no. FD);
- ii. Office Action dated February 14, 2008 (cite no. FE); and
- iii. Office Action dated July 15, 2009 (cite no. FF).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,495 and U.S. Application No. 11/355,513. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

9. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/355,513, filed February 16, 2006, by Moore:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0192646-A1 (cite no. DX);
- ii. Office Action dated September 25, 2008 (cite no. FG);
- iii. Office Action dated May 1, 2009 (cite no. FH);
- iv. Office Action dated December 28, 2009 (cite no. FI);
- v. Office Action dated July 22, 2010 (cite no. FJ); and
- vi. Interview Summary dated October 12, 2010 (cite no. FK).

10. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004080, filed 2/16/2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2007/098023 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated May 5, 2008 (cite no. FL); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated August 28, 2008 (cite no. FM).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/355,513 and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,495. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

11. CN Application No. 200780000014.1, filed February 16, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated July 24, 2009 (English translation; cite no. FN).

This application is a Chinese Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513 and U.S. Application No. 11/355,495. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this Chinese application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

12. EP Application No. 07250645.4, filed February 15, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. European Search Report dated June 27, 2007 (cite no. FO);
- ii. Office Action dated February 14, 2008 (cite no. FP); and
- iii. Notice of Allowance dated October 21, 2009 (cite no. FQ).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513 and U.S. Application No. 11/355,495. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

13. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/441,784, filed May 26, 2006, by Moore:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0192570-A1 (cite no. EB);
- ii. Restriction Requirement dated August 21, 2007 (cite no. FR);
- iii. Office Action dated November 27, 2007 (cite no. FS);
- iv. Office Action dated February 19, 2008 (cite no. FT);
- v. Office Action dated November 7, 2008 (cite no. FU);
- vi. Interview Summary dated November 9, 2009 (cite no. FV);
- vii. Notice of Allowance dated January 27, 2010 (cite no. FW);
- viii. Office Action dated March 17, 2010 (cite no. FX); and
- ix. Amendment Considered Notice dated April 15, 2010 (cite no. FY).

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345.

14. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004030, filed 2/16/2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2007/098006 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated November 10, 2008 (cite no. FZ);
and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated December 18, 2008 (cite no. GA).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/441,784, and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

15. CN Application No. 200780000013.7, filed April 30, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated March 30, 2010 (English translation; cite no. GB).

This application is a Chinese Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/441,784, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this Chinese application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

16. EP Application No. 07250649.6, filed February 15, 2007 by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Extended European Search Report dated July 2, 2007 (cite no. GC);
- ii. Office Action dated February 14, 2008 (cite no. GD);
- iii. Office Action dated January 29, 2010 (cite no. GE); and
- iv. Notice of Allowance dated July 26, 2010 (cite no. GF).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/441,784, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

17. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 12/803,652, filed July 1, 2010, by Moore:

- i. Office Action dated September 22, 2010 (cite no. GG).

This present application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 11/441,784. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this U.S. Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

18. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/441,812, filed May 26, 2006, by Moore et al.:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0192575-A1 (cite no. EC);
- ii. Office Action dated August 21, 2007 (cite no. GH);
- iii. Restriction Requirement dated July 10, 2008 (cite no. GI);
- iv. Office Action dated April 2, 2009 (cite no. GJ); and
- v. Office Action dated January 15, 2010 (cite no. GK).

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345.

19. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004029, filed February 16, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO2007/098005 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated August 25, 2008 (cite no. GL); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated September 18, 2008 (cite no. GM).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

20. CN Application No. 200780000015.6, filed April 30, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated December 18, 2009 (English translation; cite no. GN).

This application is a Chinese Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this Chinese application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

21. EP Application No. 07250614.0, filed February 15, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. European Search Report dated June 13, 2007 (cite no. GO);
- ii. Office Action dated February 18, 2008 (cite no.GP); and
- iii. Office Action dated January 29, 2010 (cite no. GQ).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

22. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/441,818, filed May 26, 2008, by Moore et al.:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0192566-A1 (cite no. ED);
- ii. Office Action dated September 5, 2007 (cite no. GR);
- iii. Office Action dated July 10, 2008 (cite no. GS);
- iv. Office Action dated April 1, 2009 (cite no. GT); and
- v. Office Action dated January 5, 2010 (cite no. GU).

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345.

23. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004083, filed February 16, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2007/098026 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated September 4, 2008 (cite no. GV);
and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated March 12, 2009 (cite no. GW).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

24. EP Application No. 07250646.2, filed February 15, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Partial European Search Report dated July 24, 2007 (cite no. GX);
- ii. Extended European Search Report dated August 25, 2008 (cite no. GY); and
- iii. Office Action dated May 5, 2009 (cite no. GZ).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

25. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/653,187, filed January 12, 2007, by Moore et al.:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2007-0226457-A1 (cite no. DY);
- ii. Restriction Requirement dated October 24, 2008 (cite no. HA);
- iii. Office Action dated March 13, 2009 (cite no. HB);
- iv. Office Action dated November 3, 2009 (cite no. HC); and
- v. Office Action dated July 23, 2010 (cite no. HD).

26. PCT Application No. PCT/US2007/004082, filed February 16, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2007/098025 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated November 10, 2008 (cite no. HE);
and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated December 31, 2008 (cite no. HF).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/653,187 and claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and U.S. Application No. 11/653,187, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/818,084, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/849,498. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

27. EP Application No. 07250647.0, filed February 15, 2007, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Partial European Search Report dated July 3, 2007 (cite no. HG);
- ii. Extended European Search Report dated May 21, 2008 (cite no. HH); and
- iii. Office Action dated January 9, 2009 (cite no. HI).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/653,187, U.S. Application No. 11/355,513, U.S. Application No. 11/355,495, U.S. Application No. 11/441, 784, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,812, and U.S. Application No. 11/441,818, and claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/788,265, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/797,345, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/818,084, and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/849,498. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

28. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/741,649, filed April 27, 2007, by Rible:

- i. U.S. Publication No. 2008-0270648-A1 (cite no. DZ);
- ii. Office Action dated May 12, 2008 (cite no. HJ); and
- iii. Notice of Allowance dated February 27, 2009 (cite no. HK).

29. PCT Application No. PCT/US2008/005336, filed April 25, 2008, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2008/133980 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated October 9, 2008 (cite no. HL); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated December 28, 2009 (cite no. HM).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/741,649. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

30. EP Application No. 08251505.7, filed April 23, 2008, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. European Search Report dated August 4, 2008 (cite no. HN); and
- ii. Office Action dated July 15, 2009 (cite no. HO).

This application is a European Application claiming priority to U.S. Application No. 11/741,649. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this European application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

31. U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/741,659, filed April 27, 2008, by Montvelishsky et al.:

- i. U.S. Publication No. US-2008-0270751-A1 (cite no. EE);
- ii. Office Action dated December 29, 2008 (cite no. HP);
- iii. Office Action dated September 16, 2009 (cite no. HQ); and
- iv. Notice of Allowance dated June 9, 2010 (cite no. HR).

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32. PCT Application No. PCT/US2008/005335, filed April 25, 2008, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. International Publication No. WO 2008/133979 (not cited);
- ii. International Search Report and Written Opinion dated December 8, 2008 (cite no. HS); and
- iii. International Preliminary Report on Patentability dated May 29, 2009 (cite no. HT).

This application is an International Phase Application of U.S. Application No. 11/741,659, and also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 11/741,649. Therefore, a copy of the specification and claims of this International Phase Application is not being provided because it would be unnecessarily cumulative.

33. EP Application No. 08251499.3, filed April 23, 2008, by Technology Properties Limited (Now VNS Portfolio LLC):

- i. Office Action dated August 13, 2008 (cite no. HU); and
- ii. Office Action dated May 20, 2009 (cite no. HV).

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